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Sir:

Under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.97 through §1.98 and pursuant to applicant's duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56, applicant respectfully brings the following documents, listed on the attached form PTO-1449, to the attention of the Examiner in charge of the above-identified application. Copies of the listed documents are provided herewith for the convenience of the Examiner.

In compliance with the concise explanation requirement under 37 CFR §1.98(a)(3), the relevance of the related documents are discussed on pages 1-2 of the subject application.

This citation does not constitute an admission that the references are relevant or material to the claims. They are only cited as constituting related art of which the applicant is aware.

It is respectfully requested that the listed references be considered by the Examiner and formally made of record in this application.

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Respectfully submitted,

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